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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In Column 1, between Lines 61 and 62, insert:

--On the other hand, the light received from the other apparatus is transmitted by the beam expander 140, is incident on the first prism 110 through the incident/emergent port 112, and is incident on the second prism 120 after being transmitted by the beam-splitting surface 111. A portion of the received light which is incident on the second prism 120 is reflected by a half-mirror surface 122 in the direction of the light-receiving element 2, is condensed by a lens 102, and reaches the light-receiving element 2. The received light which is transmitted through the half mirror surface 122 emerges after passing through a third prism 130, is condensed by a lens 103, and reaches the light-receiving element 6.

The light source 1 and the light-receiving element 2 are positioned on opposite sides with the prism 110, 120 and 130 arranged between them. Therefore, the second prism 120 is provided with a parallel portion 121 which is parallel to an optical axis 105.--

In Column 2,

Line 36, change "FIG. 3" to --FIG. 2--;

Line 38, change "FIG. 2" to --FIG. 3--;

In Column 5,

Line 5, change "FIG. 3" to --FIG. 2--;

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Lines 16-21, change “Moreover, other than a PDA, it is conceivable to use a PIN photodiode for the light-receiving element 2. Furthermore, it is also conceivable to capture the received light beam with the light-receiving element 2 such that it travels along a path which is opposite to that in FIG. 2, after being coupled into the optical fiber 9.” to --Moreover, in the present embodiment, the lenses 3 and 4 serve as both collimator lenses and collective lenses, but also possible are structures in which lenses 3 and 4 are individual lenses, or in which one or both lenses are eliminated.--

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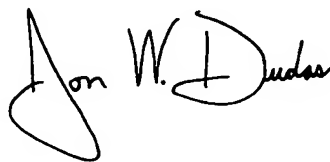
In Column 5,

Line 29, change "FIG. 2" to --FIG. 3--; and

Lines 58-60, change "FIG. 3 shows the structure of a communicat~~ion~~ optical system of a free-space optics communication apparatus according to Embodiment 2 of the present invention." to --The second prism 60 has a (third) surface 63 whose angle with respect to the optical axis is different from that of the surface 23 in the second prism 20 of Embodiment 1. The surface 63 is not arranged at a right angle with respect to the optical axis 51 of the sent light beam extending from the light source 1 to the beam-splitting surface 12, but is formed as an inclined surface.--

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a distinct "D" at the end.

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